# CHAPTER 12 EXAMINATIONS

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#### 650—12.1(153) Examination procedure for dentistry.

- **12.1(1)** Unless otherwise notified in writing, applicants shall appear at the time and place fixed by the board to take the examination.
- **12.1(2)** Each applicant shall be assigned a number for identification purposes during the examination. The examination shall be conducted so as to conceal the identity of the applicant as best as possible.
- **12.1(3)** The ability of an examinee to read and interpret instructions shall be evaluated and considered by the board as a part of the examination.
- **12.1(4)** Any examinee who gives or receives unauthorized assistance in any portion of the examination may be dismissed from the examination. Any examinee who violates any of the applicable rules or instructions may be declared by the board to have failed the examination.
- **12.1(5)** An examinee must be present punctually at the time designated for commencing each session of the examination.
- **12.1(6)** The examinee must attain an average grade of not less than 70 percent on each clinical portion of the examination and 70 percent on the written portion of the examination. Effective April 1, 1995, the examinee must attain an average grade of not less than 75 percent on each clinical portion of the examination and 75 percent on the written portion of the examination. Effective April 1, 1997, the written portion of Central Regional Dental Testing Service will be eliminated from the examination.
- **12.1(7)** Each examinee shall be required to perform such clinical operations as may be required by the Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. for the purpose of sufficiently evaluating and testing the fitness of the examinee to practice dentistry.
- **12.1(8)** The examinee must furnish the examinee's own patients, all needed materials, supplies and instruments. The director of the dental clinic at the college of dentistry may aid in the procurement of patients.
- **12.1(9)** All operations must be performed by the examinee in the presence of the examiner assigned for such purpose.

### 650—12.2(153) System of retaking dental examinations.

# 12.2(1) Second examination.

- a. On the second examination attempt, a dental examinee shall be required to take only those sections of the examination in which the examinee did not achieve a score of at least 70 percent. If the second examination attempt was taken after April 1, 1995, the dental examinee shall be required to take only those sections of the examination in which the examinee did not achieve a score of at least 75 percent.
- b. A dental examinee who fails the second examination will be required to complete remedial education requirements set forth in 12.2(2).

# 12.2(2) Third examination.

- a. Prior to the third examination attempt, a dental examinee must submit proof of additional formal education or clinical experience approved in advance by the board.
- b. At the third examination, the dental examinee will be required to complete only those sections failed on the second attempt.

#### 12.2(3) Fourth examination.

- a. Prior to the fourth examination, a dental examinee must submit proof of satisfactory completion of the equivalent of an additional senior year of an approved curriculum in dentistry at a university or school with an approved curriculum.
- b. At the fourth examination, the dental examinee shall be required to retake all sections of the examination.
- **12.2(4)** Subsequent failures. For the purposes of additional study prior to retakes, the fifth examination will be considered the same as the third.
- **12.2(5)** *Failures.* If a dental examinee applies for the Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. examination after having failed any other state or regional examination, the failures shall be considered Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. failures for the purposes of retakes.

#### 650—12.3(153) Examination procedure for dental hygiene.

- 12.3(1) Unless otherwise notified in writing, applicants shall appear at the time and place fixed by the board to take the examination.
- 12.3(2) Each applicant shall be assigned a number for identification purposes during the examination. The examination shall be conducted so as to conceal the identity of the applicant as best as possible.
- 12.3(3) The ability of an examinee to read and interpret instructions shall be evaluated and considered by the board as a part of the examination.
- **12.3(4)** Any examinee who gives or receives unauthorized assistance in any portion of the examination may be dismissed from the examination. An examinee who violates any of the applicable rules or instructions may be declared by the board to have failed the examination.
- **12.3(5)** An examinee must be present punctually at the time designated for commencing each session of the examination.
  - **12.3(6)** The examinee must attain an average grade of 70 percent on the examination.
- **12.3(7)** Each examinee shall be required to perform such practical demonstrations as may be required by the Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. for the purpose of sufficiently evaluating and testing the fitness of the examinee to practice dental hygiene.
- 12.3(8) The examinee must furnish the examinee's own patients, all needed materials, supplies and instruments. The director of the clinic at the school of dental hygiene may aid in the procurement of patients.

### 650—12.4(153) System of retaking dental hygiene examinations.

- 12.4(1) Second examination.
- a. On the second examination attempt, a dental hygiene examinee shall be required to achieve a score of at least 70 percent.
- b. A dental hygiene examinee who fails the second examination will be required to complete the remedial education requirements set forth in subrule 12.4(2).
- **12.4(2)** Third examination. Prior to the third examination attempt, a dental hygiene examinee must submit proof of additional formal education or clinical experience approved in advance by the board.
- **12.4(3)** Fourth examination. Prior to the fourth examination, a dental hygiene examinee must submit proof of satisfactory completion of an approved curriculum in dental hygiene at a university or school with an approved curriculum.

- **12.4(4)** Subsequent failures. For purposes of additional study prior to retakes, the fifth examination will be considered the same as the third.
- **12.4(5)** *Failures.* If a dental hygiene examinee applies for the Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. examination after having failed any other state or regional examination, the failures shall be considered Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. failures for the purposes of retakes.
- **650—12.5(153)** Additional requirements. Examinees for dentistry or dental hygiene shall be required to meet such other requirements as may be imposed by the Central Regional Dental Testing Service. Inc.

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